FINAL BILL REPORT SB 6157

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Requiring juvenile detention intake standards for juveniles who are developmentally disabled.

Sponsors: Senators Delvin, Hargrove, Stevens, Benton, Ericksen and Parlette.

Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

Background: A county juvenile detention facility is a facility for the physical confinement of a juvenile alleged to have committed an offense or an adjudicated offender subject to a disposition or modification order in juvenile court. Juvenile detention facilities may also include group homes, inpatient substance abuse programs, and juvenile basic training camps.

In 2011 a workgroup convened by the Developmental Disabilities Counsel and Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration within the Department of Social and Health Services met to study practices and policies relating to the confinement of youth with developmental disabilities within juvenile detention facilities.

Summary: Counties must develop an intake and risk assessment standard to determine whether a juvenile admitted to a county juvenile detention facility is developmentally disabled.

The assessment standard must be developed and implemented no later than December 31, 2012.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 0 House 98 0

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